

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1 – 28. (Canceled)

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30. (Currently amended) An apparatus for providing channel selection, the apparatus comprising:

a receiver operative to receive a plurality of channels, at least one of the channels being an anchor channel having at least one multiplexed channel associated therewith, wherein the receiver is further operative to indicate ~~if a~~whether a currently-viewed channel is an anchor channel;

a first channel control switch to sequentially navigate the plurality of channels; and
a second channel control switch to navigate said at least one multiplexed channel.

31. (Previously presented) An apparatus for providing channel selection, the apparatus comprising:

a receiver operative to receive a plurality of anchor channels, with at least one of the anchor channels having at least one multiplexed channel associated therewith, wherein the receiver is further operative to indicate if a selected anchor channel has at least one multiplex channel associated therewith;

the apparatus configured to receive a first channel control switch signal for sequential navigation of the plurality of anchor channels; and

the apparatus configured to receive a second channel control switch signal for sequential navigation of the at least one multiplexed channel.

32. (Previously presented) A channel selection device for a video receiver, comprising:

a first channel control switch to navigate sequentially a first sequence of anchor channels;
and

a second channel control switch to navigate one or more channels multiplexed with an anchor channel.

33. (New) A method of providing channel selection, comprising:
 - providing a set of channels;
 - displaying a first anchor channel from the set of channels when selected;
 - providing a first indication that the first anchor channel is an anchor channel;
 - superimposing the first indication over the display of the first anchor channel;
 - including with the first indication a second indication, wherein the second indication is included when there is at least one multiplex channel associated with the first anchor channel;
 - receiving a first command to select from the second indication a first multiplex channel of the at least one multiplex channel associated with the first anchor channel;
 - displaying the first multiplex channel;
 - providing for the selection of a second anchor channel from the set of channels through the use of a second command of a different type than the first command; and
 - performing at least one of:
 - switching between multiplex channels associated with an anchor channel from the set of channels using commands of the same type as the first command;
 - switching between anchor channels from the set of channels using commands of the same type as the second command; and
 - switching from a multiplex channel associated with one anchor channel from the set of channels to a different anchor channel from the set of channels through a command of the same type as the second command.

34. (New) The method of claim 33 wherein the first indication is at least one icon representing the content of a selected anchor channel from the set of channels, and the second indication is at least one icon representing the content of at least one multiplex channel associated with the selected anchor channel.

35. (New) The method of claim 34 in which the icons are at least one of: industry standard icons transmitted with the channel information and locally generated icons corresponding to the information received from the channel provider.

36. (New) The method of claim 33, further comprising including a descriptor as part of one of the first indication, the second indication, and a third indication, the third indication being superimposed over the display.

37. (New) The method of claim 36, wherein said descriptor indicates the geographic origination of a displayed channel.

38. (New) The method of claim 33, wherein a number of multiplex channels associated with an anchor channel is represented in the second indication by a number of text words or icons displayed.

39. (New) The method of claim 33, further comprising making a channel selection through a remote controller, wherein the remote controller includes a first set of selection mechanisms for selection of adjacent anchor channels and a second set of selection mechanisms for selection of multiplex channels associated with the anchor channels.

40. (New) The method of claim 33, further comprising making channel selection on a receiver of the set of channels, wherein the receiver includes a first set of selection mechanisms for selection of adjacent anchor channels and a second set of selection mechanisms for selection of multiplex channels associated with the anchor channels.

41. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, further comprising the receiver being operative to display icons representing the content of at least one of the anchor channels or multiplex channels.

42. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, further comprising the receiver being operative to display information reflecting the geographic origination of a channel.

43. (New) The apparatus of claim 30, the receiver being further operative to display an indication of the number of multiplex channels associated with a selected anchor channel.

44. (New) The apparatus of claim 31, the receiver being further operative to display icons representing the content of at least one of the anchor channels or multiplex channels.

45. (New) The apparatus of claim 31, the receiver being further operative to display information reflecting the geographic origination of a channel.

46. (New) The apparatus of claim 31, the receiver being further operative to display an indication of the number of multiplex channels associated with a selected anchor channel.

47. (New) A channel selection device for use in selecting channels in a video receiver, comprising:

a channel up key;

a channel down key, the channel up and channel down keys allowing a viewer to select from a plurality of anchor channels supplied from broadcast providers to the receiver; and

at least one horizontal channel selection key for selecting at least one multiplex channel associated with a selected one of the anchor channels;

wherein the at least one horizontal channel selection key includes a channel right key and a channel left key, the channel right key for selecting among a plurality of multiplex channels associated with the selected anchor channel via a movement to the right in a series of icons of an on-screen display, and the channel left key for selecting among the plurality of multiplex channels associated with the selected anchor channel via movement to the left in the series of icons of the on-screen display.